

# *Proclamation*

**WHEREAS**, in the year 2006, the month of September has been declared Prostate Cancer Awareness Month; and

**WHEREAS**, in the year 2006 an estimated 234,460 men in the United States will learn that they have prostate cancer, and across the nation prostate cancer is the most commonly diagnosed non-skin cancer in men; and

**WHEREAS**, an estimated 27,350 men will lose their lives to this disease in 2006, and one in six men in the nation are at risk of developing prostate cancer during their lifetime; and

**WHEREAS**, it is known that almost one third of prostate cancer occurs in men under the age of 65 during their prime work years, and at any age prostate cancer devastates families through loss of income, partnership, and support; and

**WHEREAS**, African American men have the highest rate of prostate cancer diagnosis and death in men of all racial or ethnic groups in the United States, and prostate cancer is the second leading cause of cancer deaths in African American men; and

**WHEREAS**, prostate cancer leaves too many parents, women, children and other family members without a man they love; and

**WHEREAS**, research suggests that men could reduce their risk of prostate cancer mortality if they followed recommended prostate cancer screening guidelines, including examination by a health care provider and increased awareness and use of early detection practices; and

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT PROCLAIMED** that the Mayor and Town Council of the Town of Davie, hereby proclaim September, 2006 as;

## **PROSTATE CANCER AWARENESS MONTH**

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, I have hereunto set my hand this 16th day of August, 2006.

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**Tom Truex, Mayor**

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